# LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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# Physicians, Osteopaths, Institutional & Acupuncturists Application/Renewal Packet

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# Visit the LSBME Website at

www.lsbme.louisiana.gov

# Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners-New Orleans, Louisiana

Application Processing Address: LSBME, P.O. Box 54403, New Orleans, LA 70154-4403

Physical Address: LSBME, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, LA 70130

General Correspondence Mailing Address: LSBME, P.O. Box 30250, New Orleans, LA 70190-0250

# **Quick and Easy Access to the LSBME**

#### **LSBME WEBSITE**

www.lsbme.louisiana.gov

- Download Standard Application Forms, Instructions and Publications
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Send Comments or Request Assistance
- Auto response to request status of license, permit, certification and/or registration.
- Verify license, permit, certification and/or registration: lsbmever@lsbme.louisiana.gov
- Remit Fees



# MAIL/WALK-IN DELIVERY

LSBME P.O. Box 54403 New Orleans, LA 70154-4403

Delays in processing may occur with deliveries by private courier and/or where applications are sent to any other addresses. The LSBME will also provide a written receipt to those applicants who hand deliver an application.



# **PHONE/E-MAIL**

# **Renewals:**

504/568-6820 (Auto Attendant) + 1:

- Betty Holmes, Supervisorbholmes@lsbme.louisiana.gov
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   shull@lsbme.louisiana.gov
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504/568-6820 (Auto Attendant) + 2:

- Peter Zengel, CEU Analyst –
   pzengel@lsbme.louisiana.gov
- Tom Wallis, CME Analysttwallis@lsbme.louisiana.gov

Employees make every effort to respond to email correspondence on the workday the email is received.



# **OFFICE HOURS**

8:30 a.m.– 4:30 p.m. CST, Monday through Friday.

Best Availability: 8:30a.m. - 3:00p.m. CST

Applicants should refer to the LSBME website for information regarding availability of staff, methods of contacting staff, public holidays and special closings of the office.



# **BOARD CONTACTS**

•	Main Phone	(504) 568-6820
•	Renewals	Ext 490
•	Investigations & Enforcement	Ext 264
•	Licensure	Ext 290
•	Executive	Ext 242



# **PROCESSING TIME**

Do not wait to submit your renewal application. Particular attention should be given to license, permit, certification and/or registration with a due date of October through January. At those times, the LSBME experiences high volume workloads and delays are expected. Allow 30 days for processing. The LSBME verification service at <a href="www.lsbme.louisiana.gov">www.lsbme.louisiana.gov</a> is the <a href="quickest">quickest</a> way to determine the status of your renewal. Applicants may refer to the date of deposit of fees to establish the commencement of the processing timeline. Applicants who need proof of the date the LSBME begins processing the application, should use the information from the canceled check.

This public document was downloaded from the LSBME website at www.lsbme.louisiana.gov

# **Code Descriptions**

SPECIA ADL	LTY CODES Adolescent Medicine	MFS	Maxillofacial Surgery	PM P	Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Psychiatry
AM	Aerospace Medicine	MM	Medical Microbiology	СНР	Psychiatry, Child
A	Allergy	NPM	Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine	PYA	Psychoanalysis
ΑI	Allergy and Immunology	ND NED	Neoplastic Diseases	PYM	Psychosomatic Medicine
AN	Anesthesiology	NEP N	Nephrology Neurology	PH	Public Health
BE	Broncho-Esophagology	CHN	Neurology Neurology, Child	PUD	Pulmonary Diseases
BLB	Blood Banking	NA NA	Neuropathology	R	Radiology
CD	Cardiovascular Diseases	NM	Nuclear Medicine	RIP	Radioistopic Pathology
CCM	Critical Care Medicine	NR	Nuclear Radiology	DR	Radiology, Diagnostic
D	Dermatology	NTR	Nutrition	PDR	Radiology, Pediatric
DMP	Dermatopathology	OBS	Obstetrics	TR	Radiology, Therapeutic
DIA	Diabetics	OBG	Obstetrics-Gynecology	RHU	Rheumatology
EM	Emergency Medicine	OM	Occupational Medicine	RHI	Rhinology
END	Endocrinology	ON	Oncology	AS	Surgery, Abdominal
REN	Endocrinology, Reproductive	RO	Oncology, Radiation	CDS	Surgery, Cardiovascular
FP	Family Practice	OPH	Ophthalmology	CRS	Surgery, Colon and Rectal
GE	Gastroenterology	OT	Otology	FPS	Surgery, Facial Plastic, Oto.
GP	General Practice	ОТО	Otorhinolaryngology	GS	Surgery, General
GPM	General Preventive Medicine	PTH	Pathology	HS	Surgery, Hand
GER	Geriatrics	ATP	Pathology, Anatomic	HNS	Surgery, Head and Neck
GO	Gynecological Oncology	CMP	Pathology, Chemical	NS	Surgery, Neurological
GYN	Gynecology	CLP	Pathology, Clinical	ORS	Surgery, Orthopedic
HEM	Hematology	FOP	Pathology, Forensic	PDS	Surgery, Pediatric
HYP	Hypnosis	PD	Pediatrics	PS	Surgery, Plastic
IG DI I	Immunology	PDA	Pediatrics, Allergy	TS	Surgery, Thoracic
DLI IP	Immunology, Diagnostic Lab Immunopathology	PDC	Pediatrics, Cardiology	TRS	Surgery, Traumatic Surgery, Urological
ID ID	Influtiopatiology Infectious Diseases	PDE	Pediatrics, Endocrinology	$egin{array}{c} \mathbf{U} \\ \mathbf{VS} \end{array}$	Surgery, Vascular
IM	Internal Medicine	РНО	Pediatrics, Hematology-Oncology	OS	Other
LAE	Laryngology	PNP	Pediatrics, Nephrology	US	Unspecified
LM	Legal Medicine	PDP	Pediatrics, Pulmonology	CB	Onspectifica
MFM	Maternal and Fetal Medicine	PA	Pharmacology		
CATEG	<u>ORIES</u>	MWA	Midwife Apprentice	POD	Podiatry
ACU	Acupuncture Assistants	MWS	Midwife Senior Apprentice	XRA	Radiological Technologist
ACU	Acupuncture	OTT	Occupational Therapist	RRT	Registered Respiratory Therapist
ATH	Athletic Trainers	OTA	Occupational Therapy Assistant	RTH	Respiratory Therapist
CEP	Clinical Exercise Physiologist	000	Osteopathy (after 06/01/1971)	RTT	Respiratory Therapy Technician
EMI	EMT-Intermediate	OST	Osteopathy (prior to 06/01/1971)	RTP	Respiratory 12 Month Temporary
EMP	EMT-Paramedic	PAA	Physician Assistant Class 1	RT2	Respiratory 2 Year Temporary
INS	Institutional Temporary Permit	PAB	Physician Assistant Class 2	STP	Special Temporary Permit awaiting SPEX
M/S MDW	Medicine and Surgery Midwife	PAT	PA Permit awaiting exam scores	T/R	Teaching/Research Temporary Permit
AMERI	CAN SPECIALITY BOARD				
	FICATION	25	N1:1 C	60	Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
03	Allergy and Immunology	25 28	Neurological Surgery	65	Plastic Surgery
04	Anesthesiology	30	Nuclear Medicine Obstetrics and Gynecology	70	Preventive Medicine
10	Colon and Rectal	35 35	Ophthalmology	75	Psychiatry and Neurology
15	Dermatology	40	Orthopedic Surgery	80	Radiology
16	Emergency Medicine	45	Otolaryngology	85	Surgery
17	Family Practice	50	Pathology	90	Thoracic Surgery
20	Internal Medicine	55	Pediatrics	95	Urology
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TYPE O 011	PRACTICE CODES  Resident – First year	030	Administration	071 072	Retired Semi-retired
011 012	Resident – First year Resident – All Other Years	040	Medical Teaching	072	Permanently Disabled
012 014	Clinical Fellow	050	Medical Research	073	Temporarily not in practice
015	Research Fellow	061	Other Patient Care	075	Not active for other reasons
020	Direct Patient Care	062	Other Non-Patient Care	100	No Classification
	2 mort i attent Care	070	Inactive	100	1.0 Clubbilleution

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Please forward <u>application</u> and <u>fee</u> to LSBME, P. O. Box 54403, New Orleans, LA 70154-4403 Telephone 504/568-6820 Extension 260

# Application for Reduction in Renewal Fee for Physicians

reduction in the licensure renewal fee under the following conditions:

Meet the requirements of paragraph A or B of LAC 46:XLV, Subpart 2, Chapter 3, Subchapter I, Section 418, as provided herein below.
Complete the Renewal Form.
Pay a renewal fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00).

Certain physicians who are 70 years of age or older or who have withdrawn from the practice of medicine because of disability may be eligible and qualified for a

Complete the Application for Reduction in Renewal Fee before a Notary Public.

Return the *completed* Renewal Form, *notarized* Application for Reduction in Renewal Fee and one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) to

# LSBME, P. O. Box 54403, New Orleans, LA 70154-4403.

NOTE: A physician who has already forwarded the Renewal Form and the three hundred and thirty-two dollar (\$332.00) renewal fee to the Board, may apply for the reduction by completing the bottom portion of this Application for Reduction in Renewal Fee before a Notary Public and return the form to the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, P. O. Box 30250, New Orleans, LA 70190-0250. Reimbursement will be made to the physician if the application is approved.

Questions regarding this form may be directed to: Renewals, Licensure Office, Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, 630 Camp Street, P.O. Box 30250, New Orleans, LA, 70190-0250, Phone: 504/568-6820, Ext. 248 or email Betty Holmes, Supervisor, <a href="mailto:bholmes@lsbme.louisiana.gov">bholmes@lsbme.louisiana.gov</a>, Camela Stimage, Analyst, <a href="mailto:cstimage@lsbme.louisiana.gov">cstimage@lsbme.louisiana.gov</a>, Suntanion Hull, Analyst, <a href="mailto:shull@lsbme.louisiana.gov">shull@lsbme.louisiana.gov</a>, or Cindy Barnes, Analyst, <a href="mailto:cbarnes@lsbme.louisiana.gov">cbarnes@lsbme.louisiana.gov</a>.

#### LAC 46:XLV, Subpart 2, Chapter, 3, Subchapter I, Section 418 provides:

- A. The fee otherwise required for annual renewal of licensure will be reduced by one-half in favor of a physician who holds an unrestricted license to practice medicine issued by the board and who has, prior to the first day of the year for which such renewal will be effective:
  - attained the age of 70 years;
  - voluntarily surrendered to the issuing authorities his or her state license and federal registration to prescribe, dispense or administer controlled substances; and
  - 3. made application to the board for such reduced licensure renewal fee, upon a form supplied by the board, verifying the conditions requisite to such reduced fee and consenting to revocation of any license renewed pursuant to this section upon a finding by the board that the licensee, following issuance of licensure renewal pursuant to this section, continued to hold, obtained or sought to obtain state licensure or federal registration to prescribe, dispense or administer controlled substances.
- B. The fee otherwise required for annual renewal of licensure will be reduced by one-half in favor of a physician who holds an unrestricted license to practice medicine issued by the board and who has, prior to the first day of the year for which such renewal will be effective:
  - 1. ceased to engage in the practice of medicine in any form in this state as a consequence of physical or mental disability;
  - voluntarily surrendered to the issuing authorities his or her state license and federal registration to prescribe, dispense, or administer controlled substances; and
  - 3. made application to the board for such reduced licensure renewal fee, upon a form supplied by the board, verifying the conditions requisite to such reduced fee, including independent physician verification of the applicant's physical or mental disability, and consenting to revocation of any license renewed pursuant to this section upon a finding by the board that the licensee, following issuance of licensure renewal pursuant to this section, engaged or sought to engage in any manner in the practice of medicine in this state or continued to hold, obtained, or sought to obtain state licensure or federal registration to prescribe, dispense, or administer controlled substances.
- C. A physician whose medical license is renewed pursuant to this section shall not thereafter engage or seek to engage in the active practice of medicine in this state or to prescribe, dispense, or administer controlled substances or other prescription medications except upon prior application to and approval by the board, which, in its discretion, as a condition to reinstatement of full licensure, may require that:
  - 1. the physician take and successfully pass all or a designated portion of the FLEX or SPEX examination; and/or
  - physician provide medical documentation satisfactory to the board that the physician is then physically and mentally capable of practicing medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients.

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#### LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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#### APPLICATION FOR LICENSE/CERTIFICATE RENEWAL Discipline

Birth Month
Discipline
License Number

(Please allow 30 days for processing.) TYPE OR BLOCK PRINT

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

FRONT: COMPLETE/CORRECT ONLY THAT INFORMATION WHICH IS NEW OR HAS CHANGED BACK: YOU MUST ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. THEN SIGN AND DATE AT BOTTOM. RENEWAL IS REQUIRED BY LAW ON OR BEFORE THE DATE ABOVE.

FAILURE TO RENEW TIMELY MAY RESULT IN SUSPENSION FOR NON-RENEWAL. SEE SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORMS AND FEES.

NAME AND ADDRESS BELOW: MAILING AND PUBLIC ADDRESS.			MAKE ALI	MAKE ALL NECESSARY CHANGES HER	
Must provide at least 1 physical address. BUSINESS ADDRESS					
STREET	Cl	TY			STATE
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FAX ()	E-MA	IL ADDRESS			
See code descriptions for next three items SPECIALTY (1)	(2)	3) (4	)		
AMERICAN SPECIALTY BOARD CERTIFICATION (1)	(2)	3) (4)	)		
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OTHER STATES IN WHICH LICENSED (	State, number, and date	e):			
HOSPITAL AFFILIATION:					

Every physician seeking the renewal or reinstatement of licensure, on or after January 1, 2002, is required to obtain annually 20 hours of Category 1 credit unless exempted. Physicians falling within any of the following categories are exempt from the 20 hour Category 1 requirement (§447). My signature certifies my understanding that unless exempted by one of the below exemptions I am required to obtain 20 hours of Category 1 credit annually as a prerequisite to the continued renewal of my license to practice medicine in Louisiana.

- Initially licensed less than 1 year on the basis of examination;
- Engaged in military service longer than one year's duration outside of Louisiana;
- Certified or recertified within the past year by a member board of the American Board of Medical Specialties;
- Currently in a residency training or fellowship approved by the Board;
- Retired physician in accordance with §418 of the rules.

IF PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT, MIDWIFE APPRENTICE, ACUPUNCTURIST ASSISTANT, OR PRIVATE RADIOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGIST, HAVE YOUR SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST, MIDWIFE, ACUPUNCTURIST, OR PHYSICIAN COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

SUPERVISOR'S

DATE \_\_\_\_\_\_ LICENSE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

OVER (REVERSE SIDE MUST BE COMPLETED)

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	SINCE YOUR LAST RENEWAL	CIRCLE	
1.	Have you had any physical injury or disease or mental illness or impairment which could reasonably be	YES	NO
	expected to affect your ability to practice medicine or other health profession?	O	O
2.	Were you charged with, convicted of, or did you plead guilty to or nolo contendere to, violation of any	O	O
	municipal, county/parish, state or federal statute?	0	O
3.	Were you denied membership in a state, county or local professional society revoked?	0	0
4.	Was your membership in a state, county or local professional society?	0	0
5.	Were you denied hospital, or other institutional, staff privileges, or admitting privileges (other than for	_	
	failure to complete medical records)?	O	O
6.	Did you voluntarily relinquish staff membership or clinical privileges in a hospital or other institution?		
		O	O
7.	Were you the subject of disciplinary action or inquiry by a hospital or medical staff?	O	O
8.	Were any malpractice claims settled or adjudicated against you?	O	O
9.	Did you voluntarily surrender, or did you have suspended, revoked or restricted, your narcotics controlled		
	substance permit (state or federal)?	O	О
10.	Was your application for professional examination or licensure rejected or denied?	O	О
11.	Did you voluntarily surrender any professional license?	O	O
12.	Was any action taken against you by any licensing authority?	O	O
13.	Did you agree with any licensing authority not to seek re-licensure in that licensing jurisdiction?	O	O
14.	Were you the subject of any type of disciplinary action or inquiry by any licensing authority, institution,		
	society, etc.?	O	O
15.	Did you have a Federal or state controlled substance permit? If yes, indicate your	O	O
	Federal number your state number and the state		
16.	Is this your correct social security number?	O	О
	If not, enter correct social security number		
17.	NOTE: It is your responsibility to keep the Board informed of your current mailing address – failure to do		
	so may result in late, lost, or misdirected mail for which the Board cannot be held responsible. Have you		
	provided the correct mailing address?	O	O
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	EREBY CERTIFY THAT, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, ALL STATEMENTS I HAVE MADE I	N THIS	
AP	PLICATION FOR RENEWAL ARE TRUE AND CORRECT.		
PEI	RSONAL SIGNATURE REQUIRED (SIGNATURE STAMP NOT ACCEPTED)		
DΡ	IVER'S LICENSE NUMBER: STATE: TODAY'S DATE:		

DARKEN ENTIRE

FAILURE TO RENEW WITHIN 30 DAYS OF DATE DUE MAY RESULT IN SUSPENSION AT THE FIRST BOARD MEETING IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER.

# Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners

# About Continuing Medical Education (CME)

Acts 1999, No. 661 of Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, amended the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, La. Rev. §§37:1261-92 and authorized the Board to require continuing education as a condition to the renewal and/or reinstatement of any license or permit issued by the Board. See the LSBME continuing medical education ("CME") rules which have been adopted by the Board. Pursuant to such rules, commencing on January 1, 2002, and annually thereafter, physicians must document that in the preceding calendar year they have obtained twenty (20) hours of Board approved CME as a prerequisite to renewal or reinstatement of licensure. All physicians, regardless of birthmonth renewal, must have obtained 20 hours of Category 1 CME January - December in the year prior to renewal (i.e. all 2003 renewals will have CME obtained in 2002). The rules specify those categories of CME which are acceptable, the method for annual documentation, identify a minimum percentage of applicants to be audited annually, provide a period of ninety days to submit evidence of compliance once an audit notice is received and exempt altogether certain categories of applicants.

As part of such CME requirement, the rules provide that physicians seeking to renew their license for the FIRST time in 2002 and thereafter must have attended a Board sponsored seminar, which will be utilized to acquaint new licensees with such matters as the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, the function of the Board and its rules, opportunities available in rural and professional health shortage areas, *etc*. Physicians who at the time of the initial renewal of medical licensure who are residing and practicing in another state are exempt from attending the Board Orientation. However, in the event that the physician should return to Louisiana for the purpose of residing or practicing medicine, he must satisfy this requirement prior to the next renewal. The dates for 2004 are: February 6 – Baton Rouge; May 14 – New Orleans; August 26 – Shreveport; November 5 – New Orleans. Visit the LSBME website, <a href="www.lsbme.org">www.lsbme.org</a>, for the Board Orientation registration form. All registrations must be submitted at least two weeks prior to the scheduled date.

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#### RETURN IN THE SAME ENVELOPE WITH ANNUAL RENEWAL APPLICATION FEE

# LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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# ATTENTION: PHYSICIANS WHO EMPLOY PRIVATE RADIOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS

LAC 46 XLV Subpart 2, Chapter 29, Subchapter B, Sec. 2917 of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners' rules governing the certification of Private Radiological Technologists requires that each physician who employs any person to perform diagnostic or therapeutic radiological examinations or treatments or both in his private office or in the clinic in which that physician practices shall report to the Board annually as a condition of issuance or renewal of that physician's licensure to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana the following information for each person so employed. This form may be copied.

# PRIVATE RADIOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGIST

Employee Name:	State License Number:
Certification Number*:	
ADDRESS AT WHICH DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTI PERFORMED:	IC RADIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS OR TREATMENTS OR BOTH ARE
Initial Date of Employment as a Private Radiological Technological Technol	ogist:
Exemption(s) Claimed:	
a. Physician licensed by the board to practice medicib. Person licensed by the Radiologic Technology Bo	
than six months shall be exempt from the requirement temporary exemption shall not apply to anyone wh	iologic technologist, but has been employed by the supervising physicians for less ents of Chapter 29 only for the first six months of such employment. NOTE: This to has been employed previously as a private radiologic technologist or who has retreatment in the course of any previous employment.
<u>CERTIFIC</u>	CATION BY PHYSICIAN
I hereby certify that this individual is proficient in, and is comp	petent to perform the functions of a private radiologic technologist.
Date	Signature:
	Print Name:
	License No.:
*Only those individuals who have applied for certification have	
Note: Those individuals who are licensed by the Radiologic certification from the Louisiana Board of Medical Examiners.	c Technology Board of Examiners are exempt from the requirement of obtaining
(Rev 08/00)	

# LSBME Renewal Fees<sup>1</sup>

Medicine & Surgery/DO/INST due on or before the last day of licensee's birth month.					
MD/DO/INST	Scheduled Renewal Fee \$332.00	After Last Day of Your Birth Month \$632.00			
IF REDUCED FEE <sup>2</sup>	Scheduled Renewal Fee \$150.00	If After Last Day of Your Birth Month \$300.00			

	Acupuncturists Due Date December 31.
ACU	Scheduled Renewal Fee \$100.00

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Fees are not prorated (i.e. License received mid-year fee payable in full, next annual renewal payable in full)
 See Application for Reduction in Renewal Fee for Physicians. LAC 46:XLV, Subpart 2, Chapter 3, Subchapter I, §418. (Rev. 040202)

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE: Disease Reporting in Louisiana**

September 2003

# Dear Colleague:

We would like to remind you about the importance of reporting communicable diseases. In light of recent events, the importance of enhancing surveillance for infectious disease and illnesses compatible with biological/chemical events cannot be overstated. The list of reportable diseases and conditions is currently being amended to include selected biological agents that might be used in a terrorist event (see attached). In Louisiana, disease surveillance rests on reporting to the *Office of Public Health (OPH)*. All health care providers, including physicians, hospitals, and laboratories are required by law to report. The confidentiality of reports is protected by state law. The reports are used in several ways:

- The surveillance data are used by *OPH* and various other health care providers for health planning, policy making, and research.
- Individual case reports of certain diseases such as tuberculosis and syphilis receive follow-up by *OPH* to ensure that patients receive appropriate medical treatment and that their contacts receive appropriate preventive therapy.
- Reports of some infectious diseases such as measles, salmonellosis, and vibrio infections can lead to identification of disease outbreaks that can then be controlled.
- Reports also can be used to identify groups at high risk, prompting intervention efforts targeted at those groups.
- Summaries of surveillance data are presented in our bimonthly newsletter, The Louisiana Morbidity Report, and in our Annual Summary Report.
- Rapid notification of potential bioterrorist events.

For easier reporting, we have installed a toll-free number for reporting diseases (1 800-256-2748). You can report by mailing a green EPI-2430 card or by facsimile transmission (504-568-5006) or https://ophrdd.dhh.state.la.us. All facsimile transmissions are considered as part of the confidential disease case report, and as such, are not subject to disclosure. A website for OPH has been developed which includes the Louisiana Morbidity Report and 1998 Annual Summary (www.oph.dhh.state.la.us/infectiousdisease/index.html.)

Thank you for your interest in the health of Louisiana's citizens.

Sincerely,

Raoult Ratard, M.D., M.P.H., & T.M., M.S.

State Epidemiologist

Sanitary Code State of Louisiana Chapter II The Control of Disease

2:003 The following diseases/conditions are hereby declared reportable with reporting requirements by Class:

#### Class A Diseases/Conditions - Reporting Required Within 24 Hours

Diseases of major public health concern because of the severity of disease and potential for epidemic spread-report by telephone immediately upon recognition that a case, a suspected case, or a positive laboratory result is known; [in addition, all cases of rare or exotic communicable diseases, unexplained death, unusual cluster of disease and all outbreaks shall be reported.]

Neisseria meningitidis (invasive disease) Anthrax

Botulism Plague

Poliomyelitis, paralytic **Brucellosis** 

Cholera Q Fever Rabies (animal & man)

Diphtheria Haemophilus influenzae (invasive disease)

Rubella (German measles)

Measles (rubeola) Rubella (congenital syndrome) **Smallpox** 

Staphylococcus Aureus, Vancomycin Resistant

Tularemia

Viral Hemorrhagic Fever

Yellow Fever

# Class B Diseases/Conditions - Reporting Required Within 1 Business Day

Diseases of public health concern needing timely response because of potential of epidemic spread-report by the end of the next business day after the existence of a case, a suspected case, or a positive laboratory result is known.

Aseptic meningitis Chancroid1 E. Coli 0157:H7 E. Coli Enterohemorrhagic (other) **Encephalitis, Arthropod borne** Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome

Hemolytic-Uremic Syndrome Hepatitis A (acute disease)

Hepatitis B (carriage) Hepatitis B (perinatal infection) Hepatitis E Herpes (neonatal)

Legionellosis (acute disease) Malaria Mumps Pertussis

Salmonellosis Shigellosis Syphilis1 Tetanus  $Tuberculosis^2\\$ 

**Typhoid Fever** 

Class C Diseases/Conditions - Reporting Required Within 5 Business Days

Diseases of significant public health concern-report by the end of the workweek after the existence of a case, suspected case, or a positive laboratory result is

Acquired Immune Deficiency

Syndrome (AIDS)

Blastomycosis Campylobacteriosis Chlamydial infection1 Coccidioidomycosis Cryptosporidiosis

Cyclosporiasis Dengue Ehrlichiosis

Enterococcus, Vancomycin Resistant

(VRE) (invasive disease)

Giardia Gonorrhea1

Hansen's Disease (leprosy) Hepatitis B (acute)

Hepatitis C (acute and infection)

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV infection)

Listeria Lyme Disease

Lymphogranuloma Venereum<sup>1</sup>

Psittacosis

Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever (RMSF) Staphylococcus Aureus, Methicillin/ Oxacillin Resistant (MRSA) (invasive

Staphylococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome Streptococcal disease, Group A (invasive disease)

Streptococcal disease, Group B (invasive

disease)

Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome Streptococcus Pneumoniae [invasive infection, penicillin resistant (DRSP)]

Streptococcus Pneumoniae

(invasive infection in children < 5

years of age) Trichinosis

Varicella (chickenpox) Vibrio Infections (other than

cholera) West Nile Fever

West Nile Infection (past or present)

#### Other Reportable Conditions

Cancer Complications of Abortion Congenital Hypothyroidism\* Galactosemia3

Hemophilia\* Lead Poisoning

Phenylketonuria\* Reve's Syndrome

Severe Traumatic Head Injury\*\* Severe Undernutrition (severe anemia,

failure to thrive)

Sickle Cell Disease (newborns)\*

Spinal Cord Injury\*\* Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)

Case reports not requiring special reporting instructions (see below) can be reported by Confidential Disease Case Report forms (2430), facsimile, phone reports, web base at https://ophrdd.dhh.state.la.us..

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Report on STD-43 form. Report cases of syphilis with active lesions by telephone.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Report on CDC72.5 (f.5.2431) card.

<sup>\*</sup>Report to the Louisiana Genetic Diseases Program Office by telephone (504) 568-5070 or FAX (504) 568-7722.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Report on DDP-3 form; preliminary phone report from ER encouraged (504) 568-2509. Information contained in reports required under this section shall remain confidential in accordance with the law.